

Completed Work Products: 188.
Dollar Value of Transactions:
\$21,176,471.

Number of New Clients: 221.
Number of Client Service Hours:
3,750.

Pre-Application Conference: For the exact date, time and place, contact the Atlanta Regional Office at (404) 730-3300.

For Further Information and a copy of the application kit contact Robert Henderson, Regional Director.

2. MBDC Application: Oklahoma City

Geographic Service Area: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma MA.

Award Number: 06-10-02001-01.

Contingent upon the availability of Federal funds, the cost of performance for each of the three 12-month funding periods from January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2004, is estimated at \$182,353. The total Federal amount is \$155,000. The application must include a minimum cost share of 15% or \$27,353 in non-Federal contributions.

The minimum performance goals for the MBDC are:

Completed Work Products: 106.
Dollar Value of Transactions:
\$12,000,000.

Number of New Clients: 125.
Number of Client Service Hours:
2,125.

Pre-Application Conference: For the exact date, time and place, contact the Dallas Regional Office at (214) 767-8001.

For Further Information and a copy of the application kit, contact John Iglehart, Regional Director.

3. MBDC Application: Honolulu

Geographic Service Area: Honolulu, Hawaii MA.

Award Number: 09-10-02001-01.

Contingent upon the availability of Federal funds, the cost of performance for each of the three 12-month funding periods from January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2004, is estimated at \$288,235. The total Federal amount is \$245,000. The application must include a minimum cost share of 15% or \$43,235 in non-Federal contributions.

The minimum goals for the MBDC are:

Completed Work Products: 162.
Dollar Value of Transactions:
\$18,352,941.

Number of New Clients: 191.
Number of Client Service Hours:
3,250.

Pre-Application Conference: For the exact date, time and place, contact the San Francisco Regional Office at (415) 744-3001.

For Further Information and a copy of the application kit contact: Melda Cabrera, Regional Director.

Executive Order 12866: This Notice was determined to be not significant for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

Dated: July 26, 2001.

Ronald N. Langston,

Director, Minority Business Development Agency.

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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Availability of Funds for Grants to Support the Martin Luther King, Jr. Service Day Initiative

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service.

ACTION: Notice of availability of funds.

SUMMARY: The Corporation for National and Community Service (the Corporation), invites applications for grants to pay for the federal share of the cost of planning and carrying out service opportunities in conjunction with the federal legal holiday honoring the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. on January 21, 2002.

The purpose of the grants is to mobilize more Americans to observe the Martin Luther King, Jr. federal holiday as a day of service in communities and to bring people together around the common focus of service to others. To achieve this, depending upon appropriations provided by the Congress for the Corporation and previous allocations of funding for this activity, we will make approximately \$500,000 in grant funds available to support approved service opportunities. Eligible organizations may apply for a grant to support national service and community volunteering projects. Grant awards may range from \$2,500 up to \$7,500. Proposals must be cost effective based on the number of people serving and being served.

DATES: The deadline for submission of applications is September 13, 2001, no later than 5 p.m. local time.

ADDRESSES: Obtain applications from and return them to the Corporation state office in your state unless otherwise noted. See Supplementary Information section for Corporation state office addresses. Address the application to: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service, Corporation for National Service (Appropriate State Address).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, contact the person

listed for the Corporation office in your state, unless otherwise noted. You may request this notice in an alternative format for the visually impaired by calling (202) 606-5000, ext. 278. The Corporation's T.D.D. number is (202) 565-2799 and is operational between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Corporation is a federal government corporation, established by Congress in the 1993 amendments to the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (the Act) that engages Americans of all ages and backgrounds in service to communities. This service addresses the nation's education, public safety, environmental, or other human needs to achieve direct and demonstrable results with special consideration to service that affects the needs of children. In doing so, the Corporation fosters civic responsibility, strengthens the ties that bind us together as a people, and provides educational opportunity for those who make a substantial commitment to service. The Corporation supports a range of national service programs including AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, and the National Senior Service Corps. The King Center for Nonviolent Social Change, Inc. also supports activities in honor of Dr. King's birth through the "Beloved Community." The "Beloved Community" is a network of partners, organizations and entities that promote the King Holiday or work of Dr. King by disseminating his philosophy, providing direct service, nonviolence training, education or programs ensuring the continuance of Dr. King's work. For more information about the Corporation and the programs it supports, go to <http://www.nationalservice.org>. For more information about the King Center, go to <http://www.thekingcenter.org>.

Section 12653(s) of the Act, as amended in 1994, authorizes the Corporation to make grants to share the cost of planning and carrying out service opportunities in conjunction with the federal legal holiday honoring the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. We will fund grants to support activities that will (1) get necessary things done in communities, (2) strengthen the communities engaged in the service activity, (3) reflect the life and teaching of Martin Luther King, Jr., (4) respond to one or more of the goals set forth at the Presidents' Summit for America's Future and include young people as service providers, not just recipients of service, and (5) begin or occur in

significant part on the federal legal holiday (January 21, 2002).

Getting things done means that projects funded under the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday grant will help communities meet education, public safety, environmental, or other human needs through direct service and effective citizen action. Accordingly, we expect well designed activities that meet compelling community needs and lead to measurable outcomes and impact.

Strengthening communities means bringing people together in pursuit of a common objective that is of value to the community. Projects should seek to engage a wide range of local partners in the communities served. You should design, implement, and evaluate projects with partners, including local and state King Holiday Commissions; the King Center's Beloved Community network; national service programs (AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, and the National Senior Service Corps); state and local organizations affiliated with the campaign for children and youth launched at the Presidents' Summit for America's Future and carried forward by America's Promise—the Alliance for Youth; community-based agencies; schools and school districts; Volunteer Centers of the Points of Light Foundation and other volunteer organizations; local United Ways, non-profit organizations meeting urgent community needs, particularly those serving young people; communities of faith; businesses; foundations; state and local governments; labor organizations; and colleges and universities.

Reflecting the life and teaching of Martin Luther King, Jr. means demonstrating his proposition that, "Everybody can be great because everybody can serve." Dr. King's concept of greatness, when expressed through acts of service, offers everyone an opportunity to experience a sense of worth and dignity. His example encourages all ages, races, colors, ethnic groups, genders, nationalities, and abilities to respond to those in need. We are challenged to adopt his philosophy in addressing the evils of discrimination, poverty and violence. Dr. King's abiding faith and earnest belief in the "American Dream" is exemplified by his commitment to justice and his willingness to serve unselfishly as is evident by his statement, "I can never be what I ought to be until you are what you ought to be." Dr. King's strategies and determination to use nonviolence as a means to transform the hearts of millions should be used as a rousing force to encourage others in their desire to be socially responsible through

nonviolent direct actions—direct service. You should consider service opportunities for this program that foster cooperation and understanding among racial and ethnic groups, nonviolent conflict resolution, equal economic and educational opportunities, and social justice.

Respond to one or more of the goals of the Presidents' Summit and include young people as service providers, not just recipients of service means that service projects should be designed to help achieve the five basic promises for all children and youth declared at the Presidents' Summit for America's Future and carried forward by America's Promise "the Alliance for Youth. Those five "promises" for young people are: an ongoing relationship with a caring adult "mentor, tutor, coach; safe spaces and structured activities during non-school hours; a healthy start; an effective education that equips with marketable skills; and an opportunity to give back to their communities through their own service. Particularly important is the fifth goal: To challenge and inspire young people to give back to their communities through service. All young people must see themselves "and be seen by others "as resources and leaders. Therefore, you should include young people as service providers and resources in project planning, not just as the recipients of service.

Begin or occur in significant part on the federal legal holiday means that a significant portion of the community service activities supported by the grant should occur on the holiday itself to strengthen the link between the observance of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday, the federal legal holiday (January 21, 2002), and service that reflects his life and teaching.

The *direct service* you will do on and in connection with the King holiday may include, but is not limited to, the following types of activities: tutoring children or adults, training tutors, feeding the hungry, packing lunches, delivering meals, stocking a food or clothing pantry, repairing a school and adding to its resources, translating books and documents into other languages, recording books for the visually impaired, restoring a public space, organizing a blood drive, registering bone marrow and organ donors, renovating low-income or senior housing, building a playground, removing graffiti and painting a mural, renovating or creating safe spaces for children who are out of school and whose parents are working, collecting oral histories of elders, running health fairs that provide health screenings,

distributing immunization and health insurance information, gleaning and distributing fruits and vegetables, etc. Since involving young people in service is a priority of the Corporation for National Service, you might consider challenging each young person serving to pledge to give back 100 hours of service in the next year, therefore qualifying for a President's Student Service Award.

Although celebrations, parades, and recognition ceremonies may be a part of the activities that you plan on the holiday and lead to or celebrate a commitment to service, these activities do not constitute direct service under this grant and the grant will not fund such activities.

Other service activities we will consider in grant applications include, but are not limited to, the following: A day-of-service you design to produce a sustained long-term service commitment; community-wide servathons that bring a broad cross-section of people together in a burst of energy on one day of service, including schools or school districts that seek to involve all students and teachers in joint service; service-learning projects that link student service in schools and universities with community-based organizations; faith-based service collaborations that bring together communities of faith and secular human service programs (subject to the limitations listed below); and service projects that include a pledge or commitment for continued service throughout the year.

Grant funding will be available on a one-time, non-renewable basis for a budget period not to exceed seven months, beginning no sooner than November 1, 2001 and ending no later than June 30, 2002. By statute, the grants we provide for this program, together with all other federal funds you use to plan or carry out the service opportunity, may not exceed 30 percent of the total cost.

For example, if you request \$2,500 in federal dollars you must have a non-federal match of at least 5833 (cash and/or in-kind contributions) and a total projected cost of at least \$8333. If you request \$7,500 in federal dollars you must have a non-federal match of at least \$17,500 (cash and/or in-kind contributions) and a total projected cost of at least \$25,000. In other words the total project cost multiplied by .30 is the maximum amount of money you can request from the federal government. (Total project cost minus federal dollars requested equals the required match). It may assist in the calculation to apply the formula as follows:

Total Project Cost $\times$.30 = Maximum Federal Contribution.
 Total Project Cost – Federal Dollars Requested = Non-Federal Match.

The non-federal match may include cash and in-kind contributions (including, but not limited to, supplies, staff time, trainers, food, transportation, facilities, equipment, and services) necessary to plan and carry out the service opportunity. Grants under this program constitute federal assistance and therefore may not be used primarily to inhibit or advance religion in a material way. You may not use any part of an award from the Corporation to fund religious instruction, worship or proselytization. You may not use any part of an award to pay honoraria or fees for speakers. You may not use any part of an award to support a celebration banquet or other activity that is not connected to the actual service.

The total amount of grant funds we will provide under this Notice will depend on the quality of applications and the availability of appropriated funds for this purpose.

Eligible Applicants

By law, any entity otherwise eligible for assistance under the national service laws is eligible to receive a grant under this announcement. The applicable laws include the National and Community Service Act of 1990, as amended, and the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973, as amended.

Eligible applicants include, but are not limited to: nonprofit organizations, state commissions on service, volunteer centers, institutions of higher education, local education agencies, educational institutions, faith-based institutions, local or state governments, and private organizations that intend to utilize volunteers in carrying out the purposes of this program.

We especially invite applications from organizations with experience in—and commitment to—fostering service on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, including state and local Martin Luther King, Jr. Commissions, the King Center's Beloved Community network, local education agencies, faith-based partnerships, Volunteer Centers of the Points of Light Foundation, United Ways, Boys and Girls Clubs, Campfire Boys and Girls and other community-based agencies.

Any grant recipient from the 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001 Martin Luther King, Jr., Day of Service

Initiatives will be ineligible if it has been determined to be non-compliant with the terms of those grant awards.

Pursuant to the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, an organization described in section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. 501(c)(4), which engages in lobbying activities, is not eligible.

Overview of Application Requirements

Applicants should submit the following standard components for federal grants:

1. An Application for Federal Assistance, Standard Form 424.
2. A Project Narrative describing:
 - a. The types of service activities (that lead to measurable outcomes) that you plan in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, which must take place significantly on the legal federal holiday (January 21, 2002), but which may extend for the budget period (November 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002);
 - b. Partnerships in the local community, city, state or region that you are engaging in support of the service activities;
 - c. Your organization's background and capacity to carry out this program; and
 - d. How you propose to staff the activity.

The project narrative portion of the application may be no longer than 10 single-sided pages. You must type double-spaced in a font no smaller than 12 point and number each page.

3. A Budget Narrative (specific instructions are provided in the application materials).

4. Budget Information—Non-Construction Programs (SF 424A) form in the application package.

5. A signed Assurances—Non-Construction Programs (SF 424B) form incorporating conditions attendant to the receipt of federal funding.

6. Three complete copies (one signed original and two copies) of the application.

We must receive all applications by 5 p.m. local time, September 13, 2001 at the Corporation office in your state, unless otherwise noted, addressed as follows:

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service, Corporation for National Service (appropriate state office address; see list of addresses provided below). You may not submit an application by facsimile.

To ensure fairness to all applicants, we reserve the right to take action, up to and including disqualification, in the

event that your application fails to comply with the requirements relating to page limits, line-spacing, font size, and application deadlines.

Budget

Detailed instructions about the budget information you must provide are in the application materials.

Selection Process and Criteria

We will review the applications initially to confirm that you are an eligible recipient and to ensure that your application contains the information we require and otherwise complies with the requirements of this notice. We will assess the quality of applications' responsiveness to the objectives included in this announcement based on the following criteria listed below:

1. *Program Design (60%)* The proposal must demonstrate your ability to get necessary things done, strengthen communities, reflect the life and teaching of Martin Luther King Jr., respond to one or more of the goals set forth at the Presidents' Summit for America's Future and include young people as service providers, not just recipients of service, and begin or occur in significant part on the federal legal holiday, January 21, 2002.

2. *Organizational Capacity (25%)* Your application must demonstrate your organization's ability to carry out the activities described in the proposal, including the use of highly qualified staff.

3. *Budget/Cost Effectiveness (15%)* You must demonstrate how you will use this grant effectively, including the sources and uses of matching support. Estimates on the numbers of people serving and to be served must be included.

After evaluating the overall quality of proposals and their responsiveness to the criteria noted above, we will seek to ensure that applications we select represent a portfolio that is: (1) Geographically diverse, including projects throughout the five geographical clusters as designated by the Corporation; (2) representative of different population tracts, i.e. rural, urban, suburban; (3) representative of a range of models of service projects.

Awards

We anticipate making selections under this announcement no later than November 1, 2001.

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL SERVICE STATE OFFICES

State	Name	Address	Phone
AK	Billie Caldwell	Jackson Federal Building, 915 Second Avenue, Suite 3190, Seattle, WA 98174-1103.	(206) 220-7736
AL	Al Johnson	Medical Forum, 950 22nd St., N., Suite 428, Birmingham, AL 35203.	(205) 731-0027
AR	Opal Sims	Federal Building, Room 2506, 700 West Capitol Street, Little Rock, AR 72201.	(501) 324-5234
AZ	Richard Persely	522 North Central Room 205A, Phoenix, AZ 85004-2190	(602) 379-4825
CA	Amy Dailey	11150 W. Olympic Blvd., Suite 670, Los Angeles, CA 90064 ...	(310) 235-7421
CO	Bruce Cline	999 Eighteenth Street, Suite 1440 South, Denver, CO 80202 ...	(303) 312-7950
CT	Romero Cherry	1 Commercial Plaza, 21st Floor, Hartford, CT 06103-3510	(860) 240-3237
DC	Rosetta Freeman-Busby	1201 New York Ave., NW., Suite 9107, Washington, DC 20525	(202) 606-5000, x485
DE	Jerry Yates	Fallon Federal Bldg., 31 Hopkins Plaza, Suite 400-B, Baltimore, MD 21201.	(410) 962-4443
FL	Warren Smith	3165 McCrory Street, Suite 115, Orlando, FL 32803-3750	(407) 648-6117
GA	Daryl James	75 Piedmont Avenue, N.E., Room 902, Atlanta, GA 30303-2587.	(404) 331-4646
HI	Lynn Dunn	300 Ala Moana Blvd., Room 6213, Honolulu, HI 96850-0001 ...	(808) 541-2832
IA	Joel Weinstein	Federal Building, Room 917, 210 Walnut Street, Des Moines, IA 50309-2195.	(515) 284-4816
ID	V. Kent Griffiths	304 North 8th Street, Room 344, Boise, ID 83702-5835.	
IL	Timothy Krieger	77 West Jackson Boulevard, Suite 442, Chicago, IL 60604-3511.	(312) 353-3622
IN	Thomas Haskett	46 East Ohio Street, Room 226, Indianapolis, IN 46204-4317 ..	(317) 226-6724
KS	Bruce Cline	444 S.E. Quincy, Room 260, Topeka, KS 66683-3572	(785) 295-2540
KY	Betsy Wells	600 Martin L. King Place, Room 372-D, Louisville, KY 40202-2230.	(502) 582-6384
LA	Willard Labrie	707 Florida Street, Suite 316, Baton Rouge, LA 70801	(225) 389-0473
MA	Malcolm Coles	10 Causeway Street, Room 473, Boston, MA 02222-1038	(617) 565-7001
MD	Jerry Yates	Fallon Federal Bldg., 31 Hopkins Plaza, Suite 400-B, Baltimore, MD 21201.	(410) 962-4443
ME	Shireen Tilley	1 Pillsbury Street, Suite 201, Concord, NH 03301-3556	(603) 225-1450
MI	Mary Pfeiler	211 West Fort Street, Suite 1408, Detroit, MI 48226-2799	(313) 226-7848
MN	Robert Jackson	431 South 7th Street, Room 2480, Minneapolis, MN 55415-1854.	(612) 334-4083
MO	John McDonald	801 Walnut Street, Suite 504, Kansas City, MO 64106	(816) 374-6300
MS	R Abdul-Azeez	100 West Capitol Street, Room 1005A, Jackson, MS 39269-1092.	(601) 965-5664
MT	John Allen	208 North Montana Avenue, Suite 206, Helena, MT 59601-3837.	(406) 449-5404
NC	Robert Winston	300 Fayetteville Street Mall, Room 131, Raleigh, NC 27601-1739.	(605) 224-5996
ND	John Pohlman	225 S. Pierre Street, Room 225, Pierre, SD 57501-2452	(605) 224-5996
NE	Anne Johnson	Federal Building, Room 156, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508-3896.	(402) 437-5493
NH	Shireen Tilley	1 Pillsbury Street, Suite 201, Concord, NH 03301-3556	(603) 225-1450
NJ	Stanley Gorland	Scotch Plaza, 1239 Parkway Ave., Ewing Township, NJ 08628	(609) 989-2243
NM	Ernesto Ramos	120 S. Federal Place, Room 315, Santa Fe, NM 87501-2026 ..	(505) 988-6577
NV	Craig Warner	4600 Kietzke Lane, Suite E-141, Reno, NV 89502-5033	(775) 784-5314
NY	Donna Smith	Leo O'Brien Federal Bldg., 1 Clinton Square, Suite 900, Albany, NY 12207.	(518) 431-4150
OH	Paul Schrader	51 North High Street, Suite 451, Columbus, OH 43215	(614) 469-7441
OK	Zeke Rodriguez	215 Dean A. McGee, Suite 324, Oklahoma City, OK 73102	(405) 231-5201
OR	Robin Sutherland	2010 Lloyd Center, Portland, OR 97232	(503) 231-2103
PA	Jorina Ahmed	Robert N.C. Nix Federal Bldg., 900 Market St., Rm 229, P.O. Box 04121, Philadelphia, PA 19107.	(215) 597-2806
PR	Loretta Cordova	150 Carlos Chardon Ave., Suite 662, San Juan, PR 00918-1737.	(787) 766-5314
RI	Vincent Marzullo	400 Westminster Street, Room 203, Providence, RI 02903	(401) 528-5426
SC	Jerome Davis	1835 Assembly Street, Suite 872, Columbia, SC 29201-2430 ..	(803) 765-5771
SD	John Pohlman	225 S. Pierre Street, Room 225, Pierre, SD 57501-2452	(605) 224-5996
TN	Jerry Herman	233 Cumberland Bend Dr., Suite 112, Nashville, TN 37228-1806.	(615) 736-5561
TX	Jerry Thompson	300 East 8th Street, Suite G-100, Austin, TX 78701	(512) 916-5671
UT	Rick Crawford	350 S. Main Street, Room 504, Salt Lake City, UT 84101-2198	(801) 524-5411
VA	Thomas Harmon	400 North 8th Street, Suite 446, P.O. Box 10066, Richmond, VA 23240-1832.	(804) 771-2197
VI	Loretta Cordova	150 Carlos Chardon Ave., Suite 662, San Juan, PR 00918-1137.	(787) 766-5314
VT	Shireen Tilley	1 Pillsbury Street, Suite 201, Concord, NH 03301-3556	(603) 225-1450
WA	John Miller	Jackson Federal Bldg., Suite 3190, 915 Second Ave., Seattle, WA 98174-1103.	(206) 220-7745
WI	Linda Sunde	310 W. Wisconsin Ave., Room 1240, Milwaukee, WI 53203	(414) 297-1118

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL SERVICE STATE OFFICES—Continued

State	Name	Address	Phone
WV	Judith Russell	10 Hale Street, Suite 203, Charleston, WV 25301-1409	(304) 347-5246
WY	Patrick Gallizzi	308 West 21st Street, Room 206, Cheyenne, WY 82001-3663	(307) 772-2385

Gary Kowalczyk,

*Coordinator of National Service Programs,
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Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**General Services Administration****National Aeronautics and Space
Administration**

[OMB Control No. 9000-0102]

**Federal Acquisition Regulation;
Submission for OMB Review; Prompt
Payment**

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0102).

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension to a currently approved information collection requirement concerning prompt payment. A request for public comments was published at 66 FR 22219, May 3, 2001. No comments were received.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Submit comments on or before September 6, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat, 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jerry Olson, Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-3221.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**A. Purpose**

Part 32 of the FAR and the clause at FAR 52.232-5, Payments Under Fixed-Price Construction Contracts, require that contractors under fixed-price construction contracts certify, for every progress payment request, that payments to subcontractors/suppliers have been made from previous payments received under the contract and timely payments will be made from the proceeds of the payment covered by the certification, and that this payment request does not include any amount which the contractor intends to withhold from a subcontractor/supplier. Part 32 of the FAR and the clause at 52.232-27, Prompt Payment for Construction Contracts, further require that contractors on construction contracts—

(a) Notify subcontractors/suppliers of any amounts to be withheld and furnish a copy of the notification to the contracting officer;

(b) Pay interest to subcontractors/suppliers if payment is not made by 7 days after receipt of payment from the Government, or within 7 days after correction of previously identified deficiencies;

(c) Pay interest to the Government if amounts are withheld from subcontractors/suppliers after the Government has paid the contractor the amounts subsequently withheld, or if the Government has inadvertently paid the contractor for nonconforming performance; and

(d) Include a payment clause in each subcontract which obligates the contractor to pay the subcontractor for

satisfactory performance under its subcontract not later than 7 days after such amounts are paid to the contractor, include an interest penalty clause which obligates the contractor to pay the subcontractor an interest penalty if payments are not made in a timely manner, and include a clause requiring each subcontractor to include these clauses in each of its subcontractors and to require each of its subcontractors to include similar clauses in their subcontracts.

These requirements are imposed by Public Law 100-496, the Prompt Payment Act Amendments of 1988.

Contracting officers will be notified if the contractor withholds amounts from subcontractors/suppliers after the Government has already paid the contractor the amounts withheld. The contracting officer must then charge the contractor interest on the amounts withheld from subcontractors/suppliers. Federal agencies could not comply with the requirements of the law if this information were not collected.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 38,194.

Responses Per Respondent: 11.

Total Responses: 420,134.

Hours Per Response: .11.

Total Burden Hours: 46,215.

C. Annual Recordkeeping Burden

Recordkeepers: 34,722.

Hours Per Recordkeeper: 18.

Total Recordkeeping Burden Hours: 624,996.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals

Requester may obtain a copy of the proposal from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVP), 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0102, Prompt Payment, in all correspondence.

Dated: July 31, 2001.

Al Matera,

Director, Acquisition Policy Division.

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